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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: WC Docket Nos. 18-143 and 17-287; PS Docket No. 17-344; MB Docket No. 17-318**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, October 25, 2018, Free Press President and CEO Craig Aaron; Jessica J. González, its Deputy Director and Senior Counsel; Matt Wood, Policy Director; and Carmen Scurato, Senior Policy Counsel, met with Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel; Travis Litman, her Chief of Staff and Senior Legal Advisor for Wireline and Public Safety; and Kate Black, her Policy Advisor, Media.

We discussed the Commission's hurricane recovery response in Puerto Rico, subject to consideration in the above-captioned WC Docket No. 18-143 and PS Docket No. 17-344. We reported on a recent trip to Puerto Rico by various Free Press staff members who collaborated with local organizers and residents, convened meetings, and conducted story circles in more remote communities with communications systems devastated by the 2017 storms. We contrasted the rapid and welcome calls for action from the current FCC chairman, in response to recent storm damage in Florida, with his sadly predictable lack of enthusiasm for getting to the bottom of long-term outages in Puerto Rico or learning what might have been done to mitigate the damage there.

During the course of the meeting we also reiterated our views, expressed in various filings in the above-captioned Lifeline docket (WC Docket No. 17-287) and national television audience reach docket (MB Docket No. 17-318), that the Commission should abandon its disastrous plans in each. In sum, the Commission must neither gut the low-income broadband adoption program, nor unlawfully revise or raise the national television audience reach cap set in statute by Congress.

Lastly, we touched on the timeframes for ongoing litigation and legislative activity spurred by the Commission's arbitrary and capricious repeal of its 2015 Open Internet rules, and its abandonment of the Title II broadband classification framework that undergirded them.

Respectfully Submitted,

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